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SUBJECT: MALAYSIAN REACTION TO PROPOSAL FOR BILATERAL AGREEMENT
ON TRIGA MARK II RESEARCH REACTOR

REF: A) STATE 158954, B) VIENNA 6563

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES REF B COMMENT ON REACTION TO PRESENTATION
OF REF A TO MALAYSIAN IAEA MISSION AND IAEA.

2. IN PROCESS OF SORTING OUT APPROPRIATE LEVEL FOR FORMAL
PRESENTATION OF REF A, EMBOFF HAD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS
WITH WORKING LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES OF MINISTRY OF SCIENCE
MORNING OF JULY 15. IN CONTRAST TO USIAEA'S EXPERIENCE,
REACTION OF MALAYSIAN OFFICIALS HERE WAS QUITE POSITIVE.
THEY APPRECIATED THAT THINGS WERE MOVING AND FELT THERE
WOULD BE NO PROBLEM WITH A BILATERAL AGREEMENT. THEY WERE
NOT SURPRISED AT REQUEST AND, FROM TONE OF CONVERSATION,
ACCEPTED BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH U.S. FOR REACTOR AS
WELL AS TRILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH IAEA FOR FUEL AS REASONABLE

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PROCEDURE. WHILE IT IS OBVIOUSLY DIFFICULT FOR US TO
JUDGE ACCURATELY, WE HAD THE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THE OFFICIALS
WITH WHOM WE HAVE BEEN DEALING ON THE REACTOR AND FUEL ARE
VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE ON THE IAEA AND ITS FUNCTIONS. THEY DID
COMMENT THAT THE SITUATION TENDS TO BECOME SOMEWHAT MURKY
WHEN THEY HAVE TO START DEALING WITH THEIR OWN MFA ON
THE POLITICAL ASPECTS WHICH WILL BE A NECESSITY IN THE CASE

OF A BILATERAL AGREEMENT.

3. WE WILL APPRISE BOTH WASHINGTON AND VIENNA OF THE
RESULTS OF OUR FORMAL PRESENTATION OF REF A AS WELL AS ANY
INDICATIONS OF DISPLEASURE SHOULD THEY ARISE
AFTER MFA BECOMES INVOLVED AND THE VIEWS OF
MALAYSIAN IAEA REP ARE COMMUNICATED TO GOM.
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